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THIS WAS A KICK IN THE PANTS

Corinthians wing half McCarthy appears to have been kicked in the pants by Hakoah forward Holden in this picture by Les Brady. However, no such thing really happened: McCarthy is grimacing after stretching for the ball and missing it. Hakoah won 5-0 in a one-sided match. — Details on page two.

Under their own name or as NSW —

LET'S PUT APIA AGAINST THE CRACK ITALIANS

We could do much worse than fielding the entire APIA team against AS Roma instead of trying to build a NSW side of dubious strength.

APIA, now in shattering form, are undoubtedly the strongest combination in Australia.

They again proved this last week by handing out an 8-1 drubbing to Prague who, previously, had not dropped a single point.

And APIA played without three of their regulars: Van Blerk (suspended), Blue (injured) and Hughes (not yet reinstated).

There is nothing really new about building a representative team on a strong club side.

In 1947 Italy fielded a team that had 10 FC Torino players against a Hungary, which included nine Ujpest stars.

In the 1950s Hungary relied heavily on the crack Honved team, Belgium recently did the same with Anderlecht and Portugal with Benfica.

The question the NSW selectors have to decide is whether we should field the strongest possible team to face AS Roma or a "representative" side—in the bad sense of the word.

The NSW Federation would be justified in abandoning meaningless tradition and field APIA, as such, against AS Roma.

That team would be stronger than any hastily assembled NSW side.

With all due respect to all non-APIA candidates, the man they could "replace" is no worse than they are.

So, in effect, these would miss out on selection because other clubs would also have to be represented.

Rorke, Van Blerk, Nuttall, Blue, Campana and Watkiss seem assured of a berth in the NSW team.

The Hughes-Sambrook-Bottalico half line is at least as strong, if not stronger, than any other that can be selected.

And as we have an acute shortage of classy wingers at present, Giacometti and Kerklaan wouldn't be bad choices either.

This way the team's unity wouldn't be broken and we would stand some kind of a chance against the Romans.

APIA have managed to build an incredibly strong team that should dominate the Sydney scene for some time.

In Rorke, Ackerley, Hughes, Blue and Watkiss they have Australian "caps".

Van Blerk, Nuttall, Bottalico, Campana, Giacometti and Kerklaan are also well above the Sydney average.

Then they also have young McKinnon and Muir and expect the brilliant Argentinian Arce.

In the 1958-1961 period we had the "Prague-era"—and our soccer boomed.

Now we may be in the middle of the "APIA-era"—and let's hope our ailing soccer will soon show signs of full recovery.

FRENCH AMATEURS IN SYDNEY NEXT MONTH

France's national amateur team is keen to play one match in Sydney next month.

The French team will be in transit in Sydney both on their way to and from Noumea where they will play three matches.

They are scheduled to play their first match against New Caledonia on June 8 and should be in Sydney around June 4.

They are expected to call back in Sydney on about June 18 before flying on to Tahiti for another two matches.

Although their first Sydney stop-over will interfere with AS Roma's Sydney debut there is nothing to prevent the Australian Federation from obliging the Frenchmen with a game when they return from New Caledonia.

By then Roma will have left Sydney and the Frenchmen could play a night game against the Australian XI which will have met the Romans only a few days earlier, meet a Sydney XI or even a local club side.

Since the French team will have to spend at least 24 transit hours in Sydney, it would be a waste if they were not seen in action during their brief stay as it probably would only cost the ASF a nominal fee.

Prague last year did not pass up the opportunity of playing VfB Stuttgart when the Germans, too, were in transit in Sydney for 24 hours before flying to New Caledonia.

France have not lost an international match in three years and are rated the best amateur side in Western Europe.

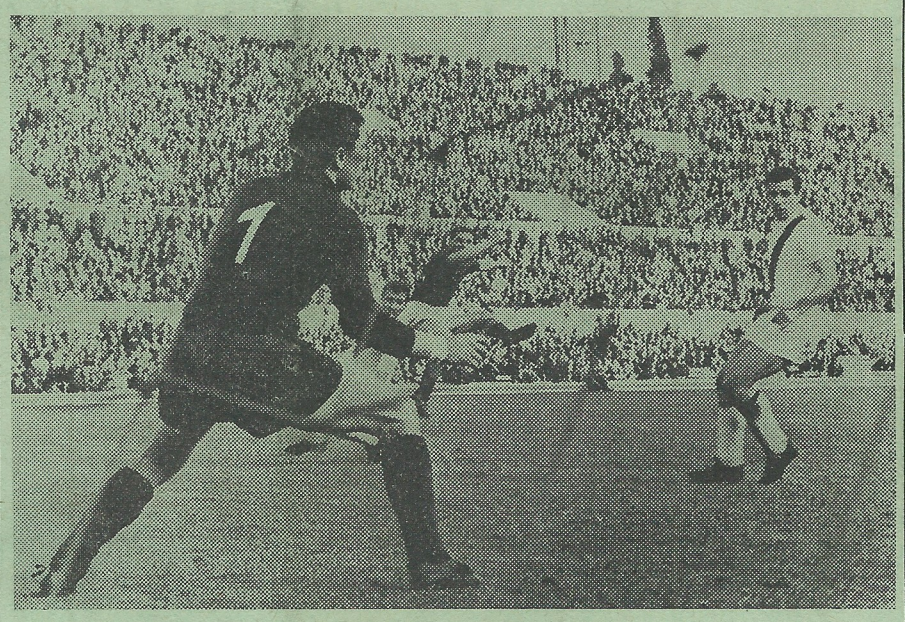
At the moment they head the Latin group of the European Amateur Nations' Cup having beaten Italy 2-1 at Udine and Spain 1-0 at Bayonne in the last few weeks.

All players are strict amateurs, operating in the clubs which make up the five groups of the French Amateur Championship.

These amateur clubs, however, are only stepping stones in the players' careers as they nearly all turn professional soon after gaining an international amateur cap.

Most of France's current professional stars came up from amateur ranks and most of this year's crop of amateur internationals are expected to join professional clubs within the next two years.

PASTA, VINO GALORE FOR ROMAN VISITORS



The visiting AS Roma players will be feasted right throughout their tour of Australia.

During their 42 days here they will attend 19 Press or Lord Mayoral receptions and eat their way through 15 lavish dinners.

The vast Italian migrant colonies in the capital cities will give no less than nine of these dinners in honor of AS Roma.

In Sydney alone they will be guests of Marconi Club and the APIA club on successive evenings.

W.D. & H.O. Wills, sponsors of the tour and the various State Federations as well as the ASF will be hosts on most other occasions.

The visitors will take part in many sightseeing trips, including one to a South Australian vineyard.

AS Roma will arrive at Sydney airport at 8.35 a.m. on Tuesday, May 24 by Alitalia.

On their return journey they will travel by BOAC from Perth to Singapore and then by Alitalia to Rome.

● *Picture above shows scene from AS Roma v. Bologna match played last March, as Roma's Leonardi (dark jersey) shoots at goal.*

SOCCER ON RADIO SOON

Within a week or two, Sydney soccer will have two regular weekly radio sessions.

Both will be conducted by well known TV sportscaster Ron Casey on 2KY.

Initially at least the time spots will be in the afternoon.

One session will be from 3.45 to 4 p.m. on Thursday, the other one from 4.30 to 4.45 p.m. on Friday.

Ron Casey, a veteran TV and radio commentator, will discuss the weekend programs, interview players and officials and give club news.

As both sessions will be fully sponsored by commercial firms, they will not cost the NSW Federation one cent.

All this is part of a determined bid by the NSW Federation to secure more publicity for soccer.

This year, more than ever since 1957, several newspapers have been "playing down" soccer noticeably.

Aping each other in the usual fashion, they all jumped on the rugby league bandwaggon, leaving soccer to its own resources.

The NSW Federation is rightly determined to change this trend.

COMPETITION TABLES

FIRST DIVISION

Grade I.

APIA	3	1	0	16	4	7
Prague	3	0	1	9	12	6
Croatia	1	3	0	7	4	5
Pan Hellenic	2	1	1	12	7	5
Hakoah	2	0	2	12	6	4
South Coast	2	0	2	10	9	4
St. George	2	0	2	5	9	4
Cumberland	1	0	3	4	12	2
Corinthians	0	2	2	1	8	2
Yugal	0	1	3	5	10	1

Grade II.

St. George	4	0	0	14	2	8
South Coast	4	0	0	11	3	8
Hakoah	4	0	0	16	6	8
Croatia	2	1	1	9	5	5
Pan Hellenic	2	0	2	7	5	4
Yugal	1	0	3	5	11	2
Cumberland	1	0	3	4	9	2
APIA	0	1	3	6	13	1
Corinthians	0	1	3	4	14	1
Prague	0	1	3	2	8	1

Grade III.

Pan Hellenic	4	0	0	12	4	8
APIA	3	1	0	9	5	7
Prague	3	0	1	17	5	6
Croatia	2	0	2	9	10	4
Hakoah	2	0	2	5	12	4
St. George	1	1	2	7	6	3
Cumberland	1	1	2	5	6	3
Corinthians	1	1	2	7	10	3
South Coast	1	0	3	8	11	2
Yugal	0	0	4	3	13	0

SECOND DIVISION

Grade I.

Polonia-NS	3	1	0	11	2	7
Granville-AEK	2	2	0	13	5	6
Canterbury	3	0	1	10	7	6
Bankstown	2	1	1	11	7	5
Melita Eagles	2	1	1	4	5	5
W. Olympic	2	0	2	12	8	4
Sydney Austral	1	1	2	13	15	3
Hornsby-NE	0	2	2	5	8	2
Western Utd.	0	2	2	6	11	2
Sutherland	0	0	4	1	18	0

Grade II.

Bankstown	4	0	0	32	3	8
Canterbury	3	1	0	14	3	7
Melita Eagles	2	2	0	10	4	6
Granville-AEK	2	1	1	14	10	5
Sydney Austral	2	1	1	11	10	5
Polonia-NS	2	0	2	7	13	4
W. Olympic	1	1	2	7	19	3
Hornsby-NE	0	1	3	6	11	1
Sutherland	0	1	3	5	14	1
Western Utd.	0	0	4	3	23	0

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

FIRST DIVISION

(Second and Third Grades)

Cumberland v. SCU	1-2	2-0
Corinthians v. Hakoah	2-3	2-3
APIA v. Prague	1-1	3-1
Yugal v. St. George	0-2	0-2
Pan Hellenic v. Croatia	1-0	5-1

SECOND DIVISION

Melita Eagles v. Granville	1-1	1-1
Bankstown v. Sutherland	4-0	6-2
Western Utd. v. Polonia	0-2	1-4
Woll. Ol. v. Syd. Austral	6-3	2-2
Hornsby v. Canterbury	0-3	1-2

LEADING SCORERS

G. GIACOMETTI (APIA)	6
H. NINAUS (Hakoah)	5
E. FREEME (SCU)	4
W. KERKLAAN (APIA)	4
J. WATKISS (APIA)	4
G. YARDLEY (St. George)	4

INTER-SUBURBAN TABLES

First Division

Marconi	5	0	1	21	9	10
Lane Cove	5	0	1	15	9	10
Manly	4	1	1	16	9	9
N. Bankstown	3	1	2	15	9	7
Concordia	3	1	2	13	12	7
Wenty W.	2	0	4	15	19	4
Belmore	2	0	4	9	14	4
Sth. Sydney	1	2	3	10	17	4
Artarmon	1	1	4	12	15	3
Thistle	1	0	5	10	23	2

Second Division

Marrickville	6	0	0	23	10	12
Ryde	5	0	1	22	7	10
Uni. NSW	4	1	1	20	12	9
NS Inter	4	0	2	25	8	8
E. Sydney	3	0	3	19	20	6
Auburn	2	1	3	13	15	5
Sydney Uni.	2	1	3	12	22	5
Kewpies	2	0	4	10	12	4
Lidcombe	0	1	5	11	22	1
Padstow	0	0	6	5	32	0

Third Division

Penrith	5	1	0	23	5	11
Guildford	5	0	1	16	5	10
Willoughby	4	0	2	20	10	8
West. Subs.	4	0	2	19	16	8
Arncliffe	2	2	2	19	11	6
Yagoona	3	0	3	13	28	6
Warringah	1	1	4	12	18	3
Liverpool	1	1	4	15	24	3
Gymea	1	1	4	11	23	3
Rapids	0	2	4	12	20	2

Fourth Division

East Side	6	0	0	36	7	12
All Stars	5	0	1	23	9	10
L'pool Inter	4	0	2	25	8	8
Dee Why	3	0	3	12	10	6
Blacktown	2	1	3	10	18	5
Condell Park	1	1	3	5	13	3
Smithfield	1	0	4	12	19	2
Bankstown	0	0	6	8	20	0

DIVISION I REFEREES

Prague v. Corinthians — M. Buchanan; Croatia v. Yugal — A.R. Brown; Hakoah v. Pan Hellenic: A. Boskovic; Cumberland v. APIA — F. Woolman; SCU v. St. George — N. Jones.

SYDNEY RESULTS & DETAILS

RESULTS & SCORERS

Cumberland

2 (0)

J. Fernie 49 min., J. Keddie 75 min.

Sth. Coast

1 (1)

E. Freeme 15 min.

Corinthians

0 (0)

Hakoah

5 (3)

H. Ninaus 11, 44 & 84 mins., J. Harding 21 & 71 mins.

Yugal

2 (2)

A. Nincevic 29 min., S. Pacanin 31 min.

St. George

3 (2)

D. Sandell 10 min., G. Yardley 32 & 60 mins.

P. Hellenic

1 (1)

D. Logan 1 min.

Croatia

1 (1)

R. Giles 28 min.

A.P.I.A.

8 (1)

J. Watkiss 42 min., W. Kerklaan 60 & 66 mins., G. Giacometti 70, 83 (penalty), 86 & 88 mins., R. Campana 80 min.

Prague

1 (0)

G. Sleight 48 min.

HOW THEY LINED UP

J. Brommett 4; A. Smith 3, J. Mucillo 4; N .Townsend 3, P. Keen 4, G. McPhail 4; J. Keddie 3, M. Collins 3, J. Richardson 2, J. Fernie 4, J. Bryce 3.

TOTAL: 37 Coach: L. Quested

I. Astill 4; P. Woods 3, A. Ringland 4; P. Carr 3, J. Harris 4, S. Sherwin 4; P. Beattie 3, B. Salisbury 2, T. Mulqueeney 3, E. Freeme 3, D. Patterson 2.

TOTAL: 35 Coach: J. Harris

D. Griffin 3; M. Moulson 2, H. Noon 3; W. McCarthy 3, R. Robinson 3, B. Williams 2; B. Stanton 2, S. Hart 3, R. Price 2, D. Clapton 2, W. Yeats 1.

TOTAL: 26 Coach: F. Broome

P. Fuzes 4; T. Edwards 3, D. Edwards 4; *D. Walsh* 5, C. Thomson 4, *J. Duffy* 5; G. Coulshsed 2, J. Harding 4, H. Ninaus 3, D. Holden 3, B. Gold 2.

TOTAL: 39 Coach: T. Jelisavcic

B. Nezmah 3; A. Nacinovic 3, S. Rafaneli 4; L. Lazarevic 4, M. Stojanovic 4, F. Dunaj 3; J. Alagich 2, A. Vicevic 2, A. Nincevic 2, S. Fray 3, S. Pacanin 3.

TOTAL: 33 Coach: F. Dunaj

M. Clarke 3; H. Stegbauer 4, R. Hillary 3; M. Schaefer 4, P. Banicevic 4, *S. Isaac* 5, A. Hillhouse 4, J. Warren 3, D. Sandell 2, G. Yardley 3, T. Zuckermann 3.

TOTAL: 38 Coach: L. Hegyes.

H. Rademacher 4; D. Johnston 3, D. Wright 4; *J. Sanchez* 5, P. Stanley 3 S. Patrinos 2; R. Blitz 4, B. Smith 3, B. Tristram 3, J. Karyannis 3, D. Logan 4.

TOTAL: 38 Coach: W. Tamandl

O. Collazo 4; *B. Lincoln* 5, P. Bonham 4; R. Baker 3, R. Murua 3, T. Snedden 3; J. Galambos 2, E. Massey 3, F. Cush 3, *R. Giles* 5, V. Reynolds 3.

TOTAL: 38 Coach: L. Baumgartner

W. Rorke 4; G. Nuttall 4, S. Ackerley 4; D. Muir 4, *J. Sambrook* 5, *F. Bottalico* 5; G. McKinnon 3, *R. Campana* 5, *G. Giacometti* 5, J. Watkiss 4, *W. Kerklaan* 5.

TOTAL: 48 Coach: J. Marston

I. Kelly 3; G. Harcombe 3, A. Falzon 3; G. Jones 3, D. Zeman 2 (injured), P. Hrncir 3; V. Povey 3, G. Sleight 4, A. Moravcik 3, R. Hoare 2, M. Kvacek 2.

TOTAL: 31 Coach: S. Cambal

SUMMING UP THE MATCHES

Playing the more constructive football throughout, Cumberland should have clinched their victory long before the 75th minute. Their forwards had plenty of chances in the first 15 minutes to score at least three goals. South Coast, although they led 1-0 at halftime against the run of the play, never looked like winning. They badly missed a midfield schemer and were always in difficulty against the faster, more enterprising Cumberland who were by far the better team on the day despite Goldie's absence.

Referee: J. Scarborough.

Crowd: 450. — LOU GAUTIER

Seldom has one seen a more primitive and disillusioning display than Corinthians'. From start to finish they played like an old boys team badly out of condition — and out of touch with modern soccer. Against such pathetic opposition Hakoah needed only a few bursts to win handsomely. Should they have gone flat out it could have been a complete kayo. Hakoah seemed strong enough to crack a much tougher nut than Corinthians but were never tested. Corinthians, with displays like this, will not gain one new British fan to their games, regardless of their illustrious name.

Referee: H. Parsons.

Crowd: 800. — PAUL DEAN

St. George were more than just one goal better on the day even if they failed to reproduce their Hakoah-beating form. They held the upper hand for long stretches and with a more potent forward line could have scored a very convincing victory. They experimented with a 4-3-3 formation which enabled them to win the midfield but, through lack of understanding of this intricate system, weakened their attack. Yugal played their usual pattern football with considerable precision and hardly any speed. Alagich was put on "ice" by a double-cover of St. George and that crippled their forward line.

Referee: H. Eilerts.

Crowd: 1,800. — LINCOLN WALTERS

The large crowd got full value for their money from a very satisfying match. The first half produced football of a very high standard and the second period, although less scientific, was packed with thrills and spills galore. Pan Hellenic started in sensational fashion with a goal in less than a minute but Croatia gradually gained the upper hand in the first half and equalized in splendid fashion. The second half was in favor of Pan Hellenic, with the exception of the last 10 minutes but a draw was a fair result as play continually see-sawed from one goal to the other and many chances were missed by both sets of forwards.

Referee: I. Timms.

Crowd: 6,243. — EINAR PERSEN

It was felt before the match that due to Archie Blue's absence Prague may extend APIA. This proved correct until the 60th minute when the score was 1-1 and Prague very much in the match. However, from the moment Kerklaan scored twice within six minutes to put APIA ahead 3-1 there was only one team on the field as APIA played cat and mouse with Prague. APIA gave a breathtaking display in the last 20 minutes and piled on goal after goal in dazzling style. It was ironic that it was against Prague that APIA played the best club football since in Australia for years as it was Prague who gave us the last glimpses of such champagne soccer in 1959-60.

Referee: K. Lockrey.

Crowd: 6,000. — LOU GAUTIER

RESULT SCOREBOARD

	S. Coast	St. George	APIA	Yugal	Prague	Hakoah	Croatia	Cumberland	Pan Hellenic	Corinthians
South Coast Utd.	●			3-2					5-3	
St. George		●	0-3						0-4	
APIA			●		8-1		2-2			
Yugal		2-3		●						0-0
Prague	2-1				●			3-2		
Hakoah			1-3		1-3	●				
Croatia							●	3-0		1-1
Cumberland	2-1					0-5		●		
Pan Hellenic				4-1			1-1		●	
Corinthians		0-2				0-5				●

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TEAM OF THE WEEK
J. Brommett (C'land)
B. Lincoln (Croatia)
D. Wright (Pan Hellenic)
D. Walsh (Hakoah)
J. Sambrook (APIA)
F. Bottalico (APIA)
I. Hillhouse (St. George)
R. Campana (APIA)
G. Giacometti (APIA)
R. Giles (Croatia)
W. Kerklaan (APIA)

SUPERB APIA IN MOOD TO SET SOCCER ON FIRE

BY PAUL DEAN

We can't recall one instance where the competition leader would suffer, under normal conditions, an 8-1 defeat.

Yet Prague did just that last week — once again clearly demonstrating the tremendous power APIA have managed to amass.

This week APIA will face an even weaker opposition and should firmly consolidate their lead.

These are the pairings:

Prague v. Corinthians

Both suffered humiliating defeats last week but under vastly different circumstances and with different standards of play.

Prague, for some 60 minutes, withstood the APIA onslaught well, then cracked up completely.

Corinthians, on the other hand, were never in the match for a fleeting moment and went down ever so humbly.

Now, if you forget their results of last week and consider only their performances, you will have to agree that Prague should win— and win well.

Unless the 1-8 leaves a mark on the morale of the players, they should welcome the opportunity of reorganising their ranks against truly weak opposition.

Corinthians need a 300% improvement to achieve a draw—and this, to put it mildly, is not quite likely.

Watch: How Prague's reshuffled defence has survived last week's battering.

Croatia v. Yugal

Although Croatia are fast becoming our "draw specialists", here they are likely to go for both points.

They did well last week to stop Pan Hellenic's great run and as the weeks go by, their team unity gradually improve.

Talentwise they are vastly superior to their opponents and also possess more speed and determination into the bargain.

Yugal, now at the bottom of the ladder, have tried it with the youngsters as well as the old guard but without success.

The truth is that they lack a forward line of any strength at all and of course this will cause their undoing more often than not.

Brian Lincoln (Croatia)

Against Croatia, their arch-rivals, they cannot expect mercy—and are tipped to lose yet another encounter.

Watch for: Croatia fullback Lincoln emerging as a future State team prospect.

Hakoah v. Pan Hellenic

Coach Jelisavcic couldn't have been too happy about his forwards last Saturday and may decide to experiment some more.

Hakoah's chief weakness is on the wings, so don't be surprised if Harding is switched there or Fekete, perhaps Bell gets a spot.

In defence they are solid and clever, especially at wing half where the tireless Walsh and the elegant Duffy rule the roost.

Pan Hellenic's forwards must have lost their great dash and without goals they cannot expect miracles.

However, they have now a well balanced team with a lot of talent which will be always very hard to beat, even by the best.

This match should produce a close result, perhaps even a draw though our hunch is a Hakoah recovery—and win.

Watch for: Harding adding zest to the ailing Hakoah attack.

Cumberland v. APIA

Last week Cumberland showed a return to form and chalked up their first win of the season.

However, they are unlucky enough to meet a scintillating APIA which have power, stamina, cohesion, brilliance and shooting power sufficient to overcome any other team in Australia.

They are, in fact, at least equal to the great Prague team of 1959-1960; what they lack in individual artistry they amply make up in smooth team-work and purpose.

How can Cumberland hope to stop this machine? If APIA play near their peak, Cumberland can brace themselves for a hiding.

Only complacency on APIA's part could endanger their win which, all things being equal, could again be quite sizeable.

This is what we forecast anyway—with malice towards none.

Watch for: APIA winger Kerklaan proving to be the bargain buy of the year.

South Coast v. St. George

No team would escape feeling the effect of losing such players as Rhodes, Mayers, Stanley, Kelly, Telfer, Barnett, Tristram, De Bruin, Muhlbauer and Tolson, all in a matter of months.

The Coast are now experimenting and this will take time—and good nerves.

Last week they played poorly, especially their young forwards and lost, even if narrowly.

Down at Woonona, however, they will be a different proposition especially as St. George are still not consistently convincing.

The Saints' rearguard is gradually returning to its best form but the forwards are still patchy and hesitant.

South Coast could keep one of the points at home but St. George, if they click, should return with both points.

Watch for: Saints' winger Hillhouse, a much improved player.

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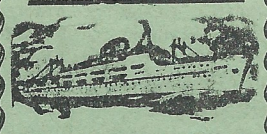

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THIS WEEKEND'S MATCHES	PAUL DEAN	LOU GAUTIER	EINAR PERSEN	RICK BRUCE	MARCEL NAGY	MOST FAV
Prague v. Corinthians	1	1	1	1	1	1
Croatia v. Yugal	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hakoah v. Pan Hellenic	1	1	x	2	1	1
Cumberland v. APIA	2	2	2	2	2	2
South Coast v. St. George	2	2	1	2	2	2
Sydney Austral v. Hornsby	1	x	x	2	x	x
Bankstown v. Woll. Ol.	1	1	1	1	x	1
Western Utd. v. Sutherland	x	1	1	1	1	1
Canterbury v. Melita Eagles	2	2	x	x	x	x
Granville v. Polonia	x	2	2	2	2	2

POSTMORTEM

Pan Hellenic was worth every cent of $200 fine

– says Doug Logan

Pan Hellenic's unpredictable form is still worrying their thousands of supporters despite their excellent current position in the Sydney competition.

The standard of their play, even during the course of a single game, can contrast as strongly as the white of their shirts and the blue of their shorts.

They often seem to reserve the outstanding examples of their strange inconsistency for the alternate delight and disgust of the fans who flock to their games.

Unlike a much-advertised brand of cigarettes, Pan Hellenic seldom satisfy—not for the 90 minutes of a game anyway.

But when they do, their brilliance is like an unexpectedly good gift cigar—rich, smooth, expertly blended and of fragrant memory; and if it came to handing out cigars for good performances, many supporters of Pan Hellenic would give a fistful to a fair-headed Scotsman who in many ways epitomises his club—26-year-old Douglas Logan.

At his best, displaying all the skill, guile and quick witted powers of deception and ball control, Logan looks worthy of representative honors.

Last Sunday, at Wentworth Park against Croatia, he scored a fantastic goal in less than a minute from almost an impossible position.

"I was falling backwards on the goalline, so I had to do something, and luckily managed to get my foot on to the ball", he admitted modestly after the match.

Logan started his soccer career with Scottish amateur club Queen's Park.

After only two years with them he was drafted in the R.A.F. and sent to Germany.

On his return he rejoined his former club and then signed as a pro with Hibernian where he stayed for 14 months.

He then decided to migrate to Australia and had signed for two clubs, Lion of Adelaide and Pan Hellenic, prior to his departure.

When he arrived in Australia he decided to stop in Sydney and play for Pan Hellenic and was fined $200 by the Australian Federation for "signing" for two clubs.

Meanwhile Logan is happy in Pan Hellenic and Australia.

"Pan Hellenic have looked after me very well—they are the best club in the whole world", he said.

Logan is not troubled by thoughts of what he will do when his playing days are over.

He is already established in business for himself as an insurance broker.

He is happily married with two lovely children, a boy and a girl, and a third one is on the way.

— EINAR PERSEN.

SYDNEY PROGRAM

THIS WEEKEND

SATURDAY, MAY 14

Prague v. Corinthians	— Marks Field
Croatia v. Yugal	— Erskineville Oval
Sydney Austral v. Hornsby-NE	— SCG No. 2
Bankstown v. Wollongong Olympic	— Bankstown Oval
Western Utd. v. Sutherland	— Francis Park
Canterbury v. Melita Eagles	— Arlington Oval

SUNDAY, MAY 15

Hakoah v. Pan Hellenic	— Wentworth Park
Cumberland v. APIA	— Mona Park
South Coast v. St. George	— Woonona Oval
Granville-AEK v. Polonia-NS	— Macarthur Park

NEXT WEEKEND

SUNDAY, MAY 22

FEDERATION CUP FINAL

3rd & 4th PLACE PLAY-OFF:
Yugal v. Hakoah — Sportsground, 1.15 p.m.
FINAL:
APIA v. St. George — Sportsground, 3.00 p.m.

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Inter Suburban League results, teams, scorers

Arncliffe's big win

Arncliffe Scots outclassed Liverpool City 7-0 in their III. division clash on impressive Cahill Park ground last Saturday.

The loss of five first team players due to injuries left Liverpool at the mercy of the home team's solid combination.

Liverpool won the Southern District Championship in 1965.

They have an ambitious project to fence in their Woodward Park ground.

Liverpool Council has allocated $5.000 for facility improvements this year.

—Keith Gilmour

Last week's results

FIRST DIVISION

North Bankstown v. Thistle 5-0, 1-0; Marconi v. Artarmon 3-2 0-0; Lane Cove v. Concordia 4-2, 1-0; South Sydney v. Manly 0-3, 0-4; Belmore v. Wenty Waratahs 3-1 0-4.

SECOND DIVISION

University NSW v. Granville Kewpies 2-3 0-1; Auburn Juniors v. Sydeny University 4-4 1-11; Marrickville v. Lidcombe 10-1 8-4; NS Inter v. Ryde 0-1 4-3; East Sydney Atlantic v. Padstow RSL 3-0 5-0.

THIRD DIVISION

Arncliffe Scots v. Liverpool City 7-0 5-0; Warringah Saints v. Western Suburbs 1-2 0-4; Willoughby Wanderers v. Riverside Rapids 4-2 3-3; Penrith v. Yagoona 9-1 1-3; Guildford v. Gymea 6-0 5-2.

FOURTH DIVISION

Condell Park v. Bankstown RSL 2-1 1-3; Granville All Saints v. Smithfield 5-0 1-1; Liverpool Inter v. Dee Why 3-1 0-6; Blacktown Spurs v. East Side 0-5 1-0.

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TEAMS

FIRST DIVISION

South Sydney: McFarlane, Coulton, Kerr, Collis, Slowgrove, Roberts, Cross, Hinde, Ure, Francomb, Berne.

Manly: Tuinman, Stelling, Brooks, Verrils, Mitchell, Langelaar, Schofield (2), G. Jones, Harris (1), R. Jones, Waller.

Referee: R. Eastwood.

Marconi: Langelaar, Naprta, Scotti, Schultze (1), Okon (1), Cumin, Roberts, Seni (1), Carnidts, Zoratto, Crosariol.

Artarmon: Paterson, Hardy, Anderson, Thomas, Harbuckle. Nacinovic, Hill (1), Poulter (1), Comber, Walters, McAlpine.

Referee: R. Kniestedt.

Lane Cove: Reed, Dingwall, Benko, Stamsfield, Jaeger, Carter (1), Martin, Mitchell, Thomas (2), Neal, Carr.

Concordia: Deak, Aubas (o.g.), LaSurto, Woznika (1), Muller, Domsala, Belica, Baumgartner, Derbin, Fojtlin, Pokorny (1).

Referee: H. Wood.

Belmore: King, McMullen, Hawthorne, Swan, Keirs, Pearce, Moynihan (1), Walker, Abercrombie (1), Stewart, Dwyer.

Wenty Waratahs: Wilkes, Phillips, B. Ollier, Curtis, Prince, K. Ollier, Blinkhurst, Burgman, Young (1), Webb, Boyds.

Referee: M. McAleese.

North Bankstown: Howes, English, Audsley, Woodbine, Watson, Duncan, Pitman, Lye (1), Barber (2), Evans (1), Mullins (1).

Thistle: Haigh, Jeffers, Yannuch, Young, Tomasewski; McIntyre, Blair, Round, Foster, Prokurat, Smith.

Referee: N. Micos.

SECOND DIVISION

East Sydney Atlantic: Constantinos, Avramides, Andrews, Boluatsakos, Parkes, Stavrinos, Pikerides (1), Kyriakov (1), Grigoras (1), Sozorides, Daniel.

Padstow RSL: Perkin, Reynolds, Sooker, Loughlin, Kelly, Parker, K. Ryan, Dunn, Raynor, T. Ryan, Cunneen.

Referee: R. Moore.

Marrickville: Moffat, Mackin, Battah, Kelly, Murray, McNamee, Murphy (3), Grech (2), Sereni (3), Hockey (1), Brettle (1).

Lidcombe: Leech, Ramsey, Beyton, Ovendon, Catton, Hattershoe, Rogan (1), Johnson, Tribolet, Gibson, Harbrow.

Referee: B. Pasquali.

N. Sydney Inter: De Francesco, Impellezzeri, Abbattista, Minutillo, Rothenfluh, Burke, Monno, Lorenzo, Suttie, Como, Pickering.

Ryde: Lee. Forrest, Dudley, Morgan, Porter, B. Cooper, Hibbard, Bakaric (1), Van der Wal, Wall, A. Cooper.

Referee: H. Parsons.

Uni. NSW: Williams, Orchard, Lee, Cheung, Chullobodhi, Stokes, Lin, Fu, Sutherland. Leung, Lee (2).

Granville Kewpies: B. Twining, Armitage, Shaw, White, Shepherd, Nowland, Buckingham, McHale (1), Munn (1), R. Twining, Eady (1).

Referee: A. Halls.

Auburn Juniors: Shipley, Crozier, Eyles, Thompson, Forrester, Church, Cabot, McGillivray (3), Schofield (1), Maguire, Kelly.

Sydney Uni. Benedek, Curtis, Upton, Winkler, Chalwin, Harrington, Wild, Mitchell, Jebb (1), Garman (2), Houseman (1).

Referee: A. Giblin.

THIRD DIVISION

Guildford: McCarrol, Whyte, Reynolds, Curnow, Jack, Lowe, Carrig, Bishell, Alner, Sands, Bligh.

Gymea: London, Tweedie, Holmes, Aspin, Wilson, Wall, Kelly, Gough, Beerman, Van Duuren, Bowron.

Referee: L. Vaness.

Warringah: Diebold, Harris, Harry, Daly, Taylor, Johnston, Ambrosio, Bouman, Palogo (1), Colman, Borham.

Western Suburbs: Purnell, Rae, Flippin, Hinkley, Buxton (1), Newby, Dunn, Holmes (1), Stanley, Worley, Williams.

Referee: P. Millard.

Penrith: R. Campbell, Brandies, Thomas, Walker, Cook, Schaefer, Foot, Batchelor, C. Campbell, Vibert, Kennedy.

Yagoona: Mosley, Parss, Bass, Filby, McAllister, Campbell, Smith, Lewis, Hughes, Soland, Morgan.

Referee: F. Kitson.

Arncliffe Scots: Umpleby, Player, Stewart, Higgins, C. Payne, J. Payne, S. Payne (1), Podmore, Tarver (3), Macy (2), Bardetta (1).

Liverpool City: Hoffat, Collier, Zukanskas, Bierman, Waite, Oliver, McGuire, Garrett, Harriman, Spezza, Verbakel.

Referee: K. Small.

FOURTH DIVISION

Blacktown Spurs: E. Melinz, Derbyshire, Castellari, Robertson, Tansen, Pronk, Van Heck, S. Melinz, Milton, Briffa, Sciciuna.

Eastside MTK: Kerry, Stern, Grunhard, Alexander, Forgacs, Bassil, Karsay (1), Bodnar (3), Wrublewski, Kaposi (1), Levin.

Referee: G. Summerbell.

Condell Park: Tipping, McDowell, Bertozzo, Hollier, Stojko, Shears, Kwiez, Tinach, Budin, Boyle, Smith.

Bankstown RSL: Wales, Williams, Dicks, Grey, Manuel, R. Ballhouse, Coulter, Richardson, C. Ballhouse, Murphy, Howard.

Referee: T. Davies.

Granville All Stars: F. Wupper, Newell, Rush, Cunneen, L. Dunscombe, Bainbridge, McCracken, Gregory, Barry (3), G. Dunscombe (2), H. Wupper.

Smithfield Hotspurs: Kilmurray, G Fuz, D. Noble, R. Fuz, Brown, A. Noble, Erdman, Cook, Parker, Stephens, Green.

Referee: H. Wood.

Liverpool Inter: Festa, Di Stefano, G. Scala, Pastega, Vicario, La Macchia, Pasciani, Ciandotto, Franze (1), T. Scala, Grapmanis (2).

Dee Why: Smith, Koens, Frazer, Grant, Appi, Watts, Moss, Sargeant, Spencer, Clements (1), Cergogna.

Referee: Nev. Jones.

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THIS WEEKEND'S AMATEUR DRAW

SATURDAY, MAY 14

First Division

Artarmon v. N. Bankstown, Artarmon Res.; Concordia v. Marconi, Tempe Res.; Manly v. Lane Cove, Graham Res.; Wenty Waratahs v. Thistle, Centenary Park.

Second Division

Granville Kewpies v. East Sydney Atlantic, Colquhoun Park; Sydney University v. University NSW, St.Paul's Oval; Ryde v. Auburn Jnrs., Hall Field.

Third Division

Liverpool City v. Guildford, Woodward Park; Willoughby Wanderers v. Penrith, Northbridge Oval; Riverside Rapids v. Gymea, Mahoney Park.

Fourth Division

Dee Why v. Smithfield, Dee Why Oval; Bankstown RSL v. Blacktown, Allum Park.

SUNDAY, MAY 15

First Division

Belmore v. South Sydney, Rudd Park.

Second Division

Marrickville v. NS-Inter, Mackay Park; Lidcombe v. Padstow RSL, Coleman Park.

Third Division

Western Suburbs v. Arncliffe Scots, Campbell Park; Yagoona v. Warringah Saints, O'Neil Park.

Fourth Division

East Side v. Liverpool Inter, Moore Park; Granville All Stars v. Condell Park, Jones Park.

MARRICKVILLE OUT TO RETAIN ROBERTSON CUP

Marrickville have again entered two teams in this year's Robertson Cup, the State Club Championship for Junior or Amateur clubs.

In 1965, Marrickville "B" defeated Marrickville "A" in the semifinal, 3-2, then went on to defeat Gymea United 6-2 in the final.

In the early rounds the "B" team had wins of 6-3 and 6-1.

Seventeen players are available this year from Amateur and All Age ranks plus an undefeated Under-18 side with seven of last year's victorious "B" team.

Marrickville are confident of getting one or both teams through to this year's final.

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SECOND DIVISION

Summit match will highlight important round V

— By LINCOLN WALTERS —

Polonia-NS, as expected, jumped to the lead as a result of their 3-0 win over Western United and the 1-1 draw between Melita Eagles and Granville-AEK last weekend.

They won't be able to rest on their laurels, however, as their immediate rivals, Granville, will play them this Sunday at Macarthur Park in a match which will have a vital bearing on both team's promotion prospects.

Canterbury was another team which benefited from the draw between Melita Eagles and Granville.

They rejoined the leading trio thanks to a convincing, if somewhat unexpected, 3-1 victory over giant killers Hornsby-North End.

Wollongong Olympic continued on their merry way with a crushing 6-3 win over Sydney Austral as did Bankstown, who crushed hapless Sutherland 4-0.

MELITA EAGLES v. GRANVILLE 1-1

A good, fast game which provided plenty of excitement for the crowd of 1,350.

Granville dominated the first half and could have established a commanding lead at the interval but the second half was a complete reversal with Melita in complete control.

Melita's forwards, however, again let the side down by missing incredible "sitters".

Both centre-halves, Lorenzutta and Cilia, stole the show with flawless displays.

Melita Eagles: Gatt, Fazackerley, Cossettini, Brown, Cilia, Lang, Nicholls, Hewlett, M. Azzopardi, Jaros, L. Azzopardi. **Goal:** Brown.

Granville-AEK: Pontekas, Dacovanos, Anderson, White, Lorenzutta, Creely, Lloyd, Tran, Young, Magyar, Ambos. **Goal:** Young.

BANKSTOWN v. SUTHERLAND 4-0

Despite their comfortable win, it took Bankstown the best part of an hour to assert their undoubted superiority.

After leading 1-0 at halftime, they only managed to score their second goal in the 66th minute, but were completely on top from then on.

Sutherland's defence played well but folded up towards the end as they received scant support from their inside trio.

Bankstown: Friedl, Turnbull, Fitzgerald, McDermott, Jamieson, Madden, Stiffle, Grange, Bakks, Bamforth, Clark. **Goals:** Stiffle, Bamforth, Grange, Bakks.

Sutherland: Gray, R. Rattenbury, McKerny, Moore, North, Shrubsole, D. Rattenbury, Arrighi, Young, Davidson, Whiteman.

HORNSBY v. CANTERBURY 1-3

Canterbury's rugged, hard tackling crew of experienced campaigners and teenagers had too much power for the young Hornsby-Northenders.

Contrary to expectations the speed was all on Canterbury's side as they never allowed the home side to settle down.

Hornsby fought gallantly to the finish and were even clearly on top in the last 15 minutes, but their forwards, Bastas and Dickerson excepted, had a poor game.

Hornsby-NE: McDonald, Lapwood, Ward, Bottrill, Booth, Chenowurth, Englefield, Murray, Bastas, Vickers, Dickerson. **Goal:** Bastas.

Canterbury: Taylor, Kirgin, Dricos, Gailbraith, Woods, Dougan, Hannah, Romanos, Rinos, Jamieson, Groal. **Goals:** Romanos (2), Rinos.

WESTERN UNITED v. POLONIA 0-3

The small Francis Park pitch did not favor Polonia's short-passing style and they had to fight all the way for their win.

Two of Polonia's goals came from penalties awarded after goalmouth infringements.

Although Western United could not match their opponents' superior skill and experience, they earned Polonia's respect for their untiring efforts and they may upset many teams as the season goes by.

The classy Polonia were best served by Hajduk, who was outstanding, Oliver, Dzialach and Komoder.

Western United: Gollie, Putrie, Stone, Sharp, Cooper, McLaren, Melinz, Burnett, Wilkins, Kelly, McCann.

Polonia-NS: Drewniak, Filok, Cebula, Oliver, Dzialach, Komoder, Calphy, Hajduk, Adamczyk, Krawiarz, Gaik. **Goals:** Krawiarz (2-both penalties), Hajduk.

WOLLONGONG O. v. SYDNEY AUSTRAL 6-3

Wollongong Olympic never looked like losing and ran up a 5-1 lead at halftime.

The locals were led splendidly by NSW under-23 representative Michel Muhlbauer while centre-forward Worthington scored an impressive hat-trick.

Sydney Austral's veterans were swept off their feet by their faster, much younger opponents and only came to live in the second half when Olympic's vctory was assured.

Wollongong Olympic: Delhaas, Potter, Isedale, Muhlbauer, Harley, Semister, Large, Niperess, Worthington, Egbers, Landrigan. **Goals:** Worthington (3), Egbers, Landrigan, Large.

Sydney Austral: once again we are unable to give any details on Sydney Austral despite repeated efforts to contact club officials who just won't co-operate.

THIS WEEKEND

Four games will be played on Saturday to allow Second Division fans to watch the clash of the week on Sunday between leaders Polonia and Granville.

This match, naturally, highlights the round as it should provide stirring stuff and a sharp contrast in styles.

The smooth-running Polonia ball artists get our nod for the two points but Granville's direct tactics will make them fight for 90 minutes.

Saturday's best game is at Arlington where the rejuvenated Canterbury seem capable of holding Melita Eagles to a draw but if the Eagles' forwards click, the visitors may score a vital win.

The Bankstown-Wollongong match, too, should be a close one at Bankstown Oval with the result close to a draw.

The spacious SCG No. 2 should suit the slower moving Sydney Austral better than Hornsby's eager-beavers and the home ground advantage will also greatly assist Western United against woodenspooners Sutherland.

ENFIELD CITY CONSPIRE TO LICK EX-COACH'S HELLAS

— *From ALLAN CRISP in Adelaide* —

W.A. Hellas, already the victims of a surprise draw with Victoria, will take no chances against Enfield City at Hindmarsh on Saturday.

Hellas are enjoying a rare contentment that can only be experienced by being unbeaten and at the top of the league ladder.

Enfield constitute a real threat because their players are familiar with the strategy and demands of Hellas coach Tom Forde, who last year led Enfield to two Cup finals.

By the same token, the former World Cup player is fully aware of Enfield's weaknesses and is certain to direct his talent-laden team on "operation exploitation".

Burnside - Budapest, still wondering what they must do to win after their meritorious but frustratingly unsuccessful game against Lion, face a tough contract in Juventus.

With their imports now cleared, Juventus are rapidly shaping into a super side.

If Manuel Cruz recovers from his glandular illness by Saturday, Juventus could be the first Australian side to field three Portuguese forwards.

USC Lion could have the first of their new British 1966 intakes to help them battle Polonia this week.

At press time, inside forfard John Lovell, 25, was scheduled to arrive in Adelaide.

A Cheshire League player, Lovell, has had professional experience with Blackpool and Bolton Wanderers.

Polonia may retain their unbeaten run but are no certainties to take both points.

Bottom teams Croatia and Austria will figure in a desperate struggle with Austria's main hopes resting on big Rab Jones.

Surprise-springers Victoria will be favorites against Cumberland but the district team's improved form gives added significance to this clash.

Selections: Hellas; Croatia; Juventus; Polonia, Lion, draw; Victoria.

Adelaide program

Saturday, May 14

- WA Hellas v. Enfield City, Hindmarsh Stadium. Referee: D. Grant.
- Croatia v. Austria, Hanson Reserve. Referee: M. O'Malley.
- Burnside - Budapest v. Ad. Juventus, Olympic Sports Field. Referee: A. Frost.
- Polonia v. USC Lion, Croydon Park. Referee: J. Spiers.
- Victoria v. Cumberland, Blair Athol. Referee: W. Hosie.

NEW COACH FOR MELBOURNE CLUB

I predict that very soon one of Melbourne's State League clubs will appoint a new coach.

A first class man has arrived in Melbourne with a glowing reputation in England, Ireland and New Zealand.

He is Bill Walsh who was with Manchester City for many years during which time he gained five full international caps for Ireland.

After leaving Manchester City he had a spell as manager-coach to Grimbsy Town and for the past eight years he has been in Auckland where since 1961 he was coach and sole selector of the Auckland province team.

Bill who is a qualified F.A. coach is one of the very select band of soccer players who have represented both Ireland and England.

Domiciled in England as a schoolboy, he represented England in schoolboy international games.

Although there is a big surplus of ex-State League coaches now idle in Melbourne I predict that pretty soon and perhaps by the time this gets in print Bill Walsh will be the new coach of a State League club.

And I have a hunch that the club he could join will be — Alexander.

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Controversy rages in Melbourne soccer circles as who should fill the goalkeeper berth for the first game against Roma — Norm Hobson of Croatia or Heinz Wenzl of JUST?

Hobson, an Englishman from Leeds has seen service with George Cross, APIA in Sydney and Wilhelmina before joining Croatia.

Although Hobson fails to over-impress in league or cup competitions, there can be no doubt he has the big match temperament.

As Victoria's number one choice in recent years he has turned in some magnificent displays against overseas touring sides.

Heinz Wenzl of JUST is of course much better known in NSW circles than in Victoria, as it's not long back since he came to Melbourne after having played with Hakoah in Sydney for a number of years and gaining a high reputation also in representative matches. He comes from Austria.

Wenzl who was on the sidelines in Melbourne for some time until JUST paid a medium size three-figure fee for his services to Hakoah, was recently suspended for a month after a game against Croatia.

His sentence was reduced to two weeks and, like Hobson, he is in the Victorian State squad training for the AS Roma games.

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Simmering for a long time now a first class showdown may be in the offing between two top State League club officials in Melbourne.

For weeks certain accusations have been made concerning points of ethics and players.

Reports from both officials on each other have been sent and discussed by the Victorian Soccer Federation.

So be ready for a major blow up soon . . .

—Bob Low

CROATIANS SACKED

In a surprise move State selector Henri Dressler has given the Croatia pair, inside forward Jim MacKay and left winger Joe Keenan the go by from the Victorian squad preparing for the games with AS Roma.

The exit of Keenan is not surprising.

In fact is was more surprising that Dressler even included him in the squad at the outset, as Keenan's patchy and inconsistent form in 1966 makes his first team position even with Croatia insecure.

With Jim MacKay it is an entirely different situation and his axing is amazing.

Initial reports of the State squad preparation have suggested that MacKay has been one of the brightest hopes.

In addition, his consistent displays for Croatia stamp him as a sound prospect.

And once again MacKay turned in an impressive performance in the Croatia side which thrashed Alexander.

SLAVIA'S GUILE CAN GIVE THEM POINTS

— *From BOB LOW in Melbourne* —

Top of the bill this weekend is the Sunday clash at Olympic Park between Melbourne-Hungaria and South Melbourne Hellas.

Despite their failure so far to show much improvement on their last year's form Melbourne, it must be noted, twice defeated Hellas last year.

The South Melbourne side is struggling and one cannot discount the possibility of Melbourne grabbing at least one point.

At Olympic Park on Saturday a close and even battle is forecast with the matching of Slavia and Croatia.

If Slavia lack the speed and thrust of Croatia they more than offset this with guile and steadiness, a factor which could earn them both points.

Lions should give George Cross little trouble on their home ground at Essendon.

This could be a hard hitting game, but George Cross are now hot favorites.

Alexander meet Wilhelmina on the Campbell Reserve at Moreland which falls a long way short of being conducive to good soccer with its bumpy surface.

Wilhelmina, in great form, should win.

At Schintler Reserve, Footscray, the youthful Polonia side inspired and guided by Janczyk could find the improving and experienced Juventus a tough nut to crack.

At Middle Park the improving Hakoah with a new sense of team spirit and urgency could send JUST back to Footscray pointless.

Melbourne results

Juventus v. JUST	0-2
Lions v. Wilhelmina	7-0
Hellas v. Slavia	5-1
Melbourne v. Polonia	0-0
Croatia v. Alexander	4-1
George Cross v. Hakoah	0-3

VICTORIAN TABLE

Slavia	5	0	2	13	11	10
Polonia	4	1	2	9	4	9
Croatia	4	1	2	15	7	9
JUST	4	1	2	12	8	9
SM-Hellas	4	0	3	15	9	8
George Cross	4	0	3	11	8	8
Hakoah	3	1	3	9	8	7
Alexander	3	1	3	9	13	7
Lions	3	0	4	7	17	6
Melbourne	1	3	3	6	8	5
Juventus	2	0	5	5	10	4
Wilhelmina	1	0	6	10	18	2

BEATTIE DASHES BIG HOPES OF BUDAPEST

The opportunism of Alex Beattie and the brilliant anticipation of goalkeeper Wally Fedczyszyn enabled USC Lion to defeat Burnside-Budapest last week.

Budapest held sway in almost every position for practically the entire game but had no one to match Beattie's goalscoring ability.

The veteran centre netted in the second minute of the first half and again in the fourth minute of the second half.

West Adelaide-Hellas found the task of toppling lowly Austria tougher than expected but won through to take over leadership of the league.

Victoria continued in giant-killer vein by extracting a point from night series champions, Polonia.

Intent on springing an upset, Victoria scored twice but could not survive a typical Polonia whirlwind finish which brought two goals in the last 15 minutes.

Cumberland centre forward Peter Ghagan smashed home a left foot drive after only three minutes at Bailey Reserve but Jim Irwin equalised 23 minutes later by converting a penalty for Enfield.

Juventus re-entered the winning bracket against Croatia, scoring three goals in the final 15 minutes.

Adelaide details

- USC Lion v. B'side-Budapest 2-1 (1-0). **Goals:** Beattie (2); Farkas.
- Juventus v. Croatia 4-1 (1-1). **Goals:** Custodio, Crawford, Serafini, West, Basic.
- Cumberland v. Enfield City 1-1 (1-1). **Goals:** Ghagan, Irwin.
- Victoria v. Polonia 2-2 (1-0). **Goals:** Felton, Stierman; Marciniak, Mielnik.
- Austria v. WA-Hellas 1-3 (0-1). **Goals:** Jones; Pantelis (2), Joschke.

SA TABLE

First Division

WA-Hellas	3	1	0	16	9	7
Polonia	2	2	0	10	4	6
Juventus	3	0	1	16	8	6
Enfield City	2	1	1	7	8	5
Victoria	1	2	1	8	7	4
USC Lion	2	0	2	10	10	4
B'side-Budapest	1	1	2	8	7	3
Cumberland	1	1	2	3	11	3
Croatia	1	0	3	3	10	2
Austria	0	0	4	4	11	0

Second Division

Birkalla	3	1	0	16	1	7
Malta	3	0	1	15	5	6
Elizabeth City	3	0	1	6	3	6
Azzurri	2	0	2	11	7	4
Pt. Adelaide	1	2	1	8	6	4
Orange-Sturt	1	1	2	6	6	3
Windsor	1	1	2	4	9	3
Wakefield	1	1	2	5	13	3
Sth. Adelaide	1	0	3	6	17	2
Beograd	1	0	3	5	15	2

KID BROTHER

The tallest player in Victorian State League soccer is undoubtedly centre forward Ian Monan of Hakoah who came from Lions (Adelaide) at the start of this year.

Ian stands over six foot three inches — a formidable height for a soccer player.

But Ian has a bit to go before he can catch up with his big brother — Eddie, who plays for Scottish second division club Ayr United at centre half.

Eddie stands at six foot five inches . . .

Vic. calls for top club talks

The Victorian State League Council last Monday night decided to call for a meeting between the presidents of the Victorian and Sydney First Division Clubs to iron out the problems which have long plagued relations between the two States.

The idea of the meeting was suggested by the Melbourne-Hungaria delegate Andy Kun and was endorsed unanimously.

The Victorian State League Council feels that the clubs would do a better job of improving interstate relations than the State Federations.

The NSW and Victorian Federations were to have met in Canberra next Saturday week but the meeting has been delayed until after the AS Roma tour.

The Victorian clubs don't want to wait so long and have called for the club presidents' meeting to take place in three weeks time.

Two added to squad

"The Romans are coming." — and Elio Marusic (Hellas) with Tony Van der Kieboom (Victoria) have been added to the S.A. squad to play AS Roma on June 25.

Peter West and Manuel Cruz (Juventus) and Eddie Typek (Polonia), have been dropped from the original squad because of their failure to attend training sessions.

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Brilliant teenage halfback Peter Miles is fast proving a capable replacement for former Budapest and SA right half, Karl Marton.

Miles shows much the same coolness associated with Marton's play, as he wears the Budapest No. 4 shirt and he could conceivably play for SA in the not too distant future.

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Season 1966 may well be a record for the number of overseas players transferred to SA.

Lion have made known their intention of bringing at least five British players to Adelaide but a rival first division club will hit the headlines shortly with a "star" signing.

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SA's Channel 10 plans to devote 30 minutes to Adelaide first division soccer every Monday night.

The channel conducted a test run last Saturday at Hindmarsh when a crew shot film of the Lion-Budapest match

—Allan Crisp

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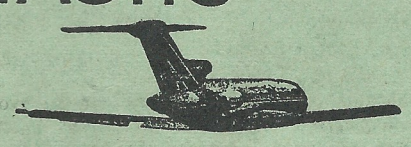

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ROUND THE WORLD

Hungarian officials are worried about the poor form shown by their World Cup squad. The Hungarians' last three matches resulted in a 0-0 draw in Budapest with Italian club Fiorentina, a 1-1 draw against Poland at Chorzow and last Sunday Hungary were beaten 2-0 by Yugoslavia at Zagreb.

Asian Youth Championship

South Vietnam have withdrawn from the Asian Youth Championship, now in progress in Manila. Thirteen countries are taking part. Teams in Group I are Burma, Singapore, Japan, China and India; Group II: Philippines, Malaysia, Ceylon and Thailand and in Group III: Israel, South Korea, Iran and Hong Kong. The semifinals were played on May 11 and the final will be staged this Sunday.

Former coach blames Eusebio

Bela Guttmann, Benfica's deposed coach, blames star forward Eusebio for the team's disappointing season. Eusebio, Guttmann claims, never liked him and incited his team-mates against him. Things came to a head two weeks before the Benfica v. Manchester United European Cup quarterfinal match at Lisbon when none of the players turned up at training for three consecutive days.

Seeler's record goes

Lothar Emmerich, Borussia Dortmund's centre-forward, last week beat Uwe Seeler's West German goalscoring record. Emmerich has already scored 31 goals against Seeler's 30. The Borussia and West German star has another two matches to further better his record.

Brilliant recovery saves Fulham

Fulham, a "cliff-hanger" for the entire season, have again managed to avoid relegation thanks to a slightly better goal-average than Northhampton, who will accompany Blackburn to Second Division. Fulham were in last place on February 26, but collected 19 points from a possible 24 since. This is the third consecutive season that Fulham just miss relegation by the barest of margins.

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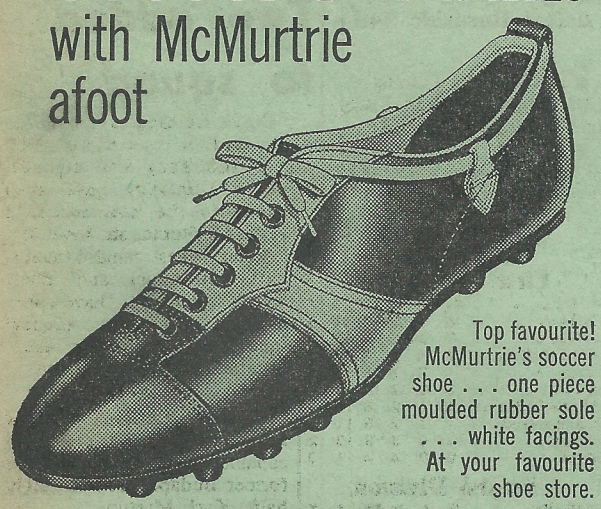

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Chelsea's Asian tour off

Chelsea have cancelled their proposed tour of Asia next month. The tour was called off because six of their players have been selected in the English World Cup squad. In sharp contrast to Australia last year, the Asian countries had stipulated they were only interested in having Chelsea if stars like Bonetti, Hollins, Bridges, Osgood, Tambling and Venables came along too. Fulham is now likely to take Chelsea's place on tour.

● **The Brazilian Government will conduct a sweepstake lottery based on World Cup results.**

● Chile's World Cup team was beaten 1-2 at Santiago by the Brazilian State team of Rio Grande do Sul.

● **Hungary's World Cup XI defeated a Bucarest selection 3-0 at Budapest's Nepstadion three weeks ago.**

● Horst Szymaniak has been transferred from Tasmania Berlin to Werder Bremen, last season's West German champions.

● **Peiro, Inter Milan's Spanish inside forward, is hankering for a transfer back to Atletico Madrid. Peiro has only made 10 first team appearances with Inter this season.**

● Ferenc Puskas has denied reports emanating from an Italian newspaper that he was considering returning to Hungary.

● **Napoli have big plans for next season. They want to sign Haller and Pascutti from Bologna and Inter's Brazilian ace, Amarildo.**

● Hamburger SV's new coach next season may be Bert Trautmann, Manchester United's former German-born goalkeeper. Trautmann now manages Fourth Division Stockport County.

● **Real Madrid will play a match at Naples on May 28. The European Cup finalists will receive $28,000 for their one night stand.**

● Jacky Charlton has been fined $120 for being sent off the field during the stormy Leeds-Valencia Fair Cities' Cup match eight weeks ago.

● **The Argentine FA have appointed Juan Lorenzo to replace former national team coach Zubielda who walked out three weeks ago.**

● Inter Milan and Manchester United, the surprise European Cup semifinal losers, are trying to arrange a match at Old Trafford at the end of the month.

● **Atletico Madrid's ace goalscorer Vava, the Brazilian World Cup star, may be transferred to Barcelona for $380,000.**

● Hungary's international fullback Sipos has been recalled to the national squad after serving a suspension for indiscipline.

● **Schalke 04, the German Bundesliga club, and Italy's Genoa are fighting over the services of young Swedish centre-forward Lars Heinemann.**

● Chelsea have broken all British records at the aurnstiles. At the ned of the season the Londoners are expected to have grossed one million dollars in gate takings.

● **Spain's World Cup team last week defeated French club Bordeaux 6-0 at Bordeaux.**

● Vojvodina, the club from Novisad, has won the Yugoslav championship for the first time. They have a 10-point lead with five rounds remaining and only lost three matches all season.

● **Benfica have lost the Portuguese First Division title to Sporting Lisbon. As they were also beaten in the Cup, the former European Cup winners will have to be content with playing in the Fair Cities' Cup in 1966-67.**

● Anderlecht will lose their star Dutch forward Piet Mulder for two seasons. Mulder, 21, has been called up for a two-year stretch of national service.

● **Peru will be Brazil's World Cup team's sparring-partner on June 4 and 7.**

● There will only be 32 teams instead of the usual 48 in the Fair Cities' Cup as from next season.

● **Thieves broke into the headquarters of Kaiserslautern, the West German Bundesliga club, and stole $3,000 last week.**

SCOREBOARD

INTERNATIONAL MATCHES: England v. Yugoslavia 2-0 (London); Spain v. Italy 2-0 (Amateurs, Valencia); East Germany v. Poland 2-0 (Juniors, Leipzig); Eire v. West Germany 0-4 (Dublin); Poland v. Hungary 1-1 (Chorzow); Yugoslavia v. Hungary 2-0 (Zagreb); Northern Ireland v. West Germany 0-2 (Belfast).

EUROPEAN CUP-WINNERS' CUP (Final): Borussia Dortmund v. Liverpool 2-1 (Glasgow).

CZECHOSLOVAKIA (Cup semifinals): Sparta Prague v. Hradec Kralove 1-1; Sparta Trnava v. Jednota Trencin 2-1.

HOLLAND: Heracles v. Sparta 3-1; Go Ahead v. DWS 2-1; Telstar v. Fortuna 3-0; PSV v. ADO 3-5; MVV v. GVAV 1-0; Ajax v. Willem II 3-1; Elinkwijk v. Twente 2-1; Feyenoord v. DOS 4-1.

ITALY: Atalanta v. Milan AC 0-0; Brescia v. Bologna 0-1; Cagliari v. Napoli 0-2; Fiorentina v. Varese 4-0; Foggia v. AS Roma 1-0; Inter Milan v. Juventus 3-1; Lazio v. Sampdoria 0-0; Spal v. Catania 3-0; Torino v. Vicenza 1-3.

PORTUGAL (Cup semifinals): Braga v. Sporting Lisbon 1-1; Beira Mar v. Setubal 0-3.

SPAIN (Cup quarterfinals): Atletico Madrid v. Bilbao 1-0; Sabadell v. Zaragoza 1-4; Betis v. Real Madrid 3-2; Barcelona v. Elche 1-0.

SWITZERLAND: Chaux de Fonds v. Lausanne 2-1; Grasshoppers v. Bienne 1-2; Granges v. Zurich 0-1; Lausanne v. Basel 5-3; Lugano v. Servette Geneva 0-0; Sion v. Young Boys Berne 2-1; Urania Geneva v. Young Fellows Zurich 2-1.

Cup Winners' Cup to Dortmund

Borussia Dortmund, the current leaders in the West German Bundesliga, last Thursday week defeated England's new First Division champions Liverpool 2-1, after extra time in the European Cup Winners' Cup final at Hampden Park, Glasgow. The teams were scoreless at halftime, then Emmerich and Hunt scored for their teams midway through the second half and after 90 minutes the score was tied at 1-1. The Germans clinched the Cup in the 17th minute of extra-time when Reinhard Libuda scored from a freekick.

Kocsis retires at 37

Sandor Kocsis has officially retired at the age of 37. The former Hungarian inside-forward, however, will remain in Barcelona where he has settled permanently. Kocsis has been appointed director of coaching of the CF Barcelona junior set-up. Next month Kocsis will sit for his final Spanish Coaching Certificate exams.

Two million watched Cup

More than 2,019,000 spectators had watched this season's European Cup up to this week's final at Brussels. 727,000 people watched the preliminary rounds, 520,000 the second round, 472,000 the quarter finals and 300,000 the semifinals. Real Madrid have drawn 185,000 people to their matches and Partizan Belgrade, 115,000.

Goalie is grandaddy

West German First Division Amateur club Germania Horbach have a most unusual goalkeeper. Their custodian, 38-year-old Oscar Heuser is a grandfather despite his youth! Heuser is in his 20th season with the club where his father also played and where his son, Toni, plays too at centre-forward in the same side as his father.

Replay at Antwerp

In the event of a draw last Wednesday in the European Cup final at Brussels, the Real Madrid v. Partizan Belgrade match will be replayed at Antwerp on Friday.

Feyenoord star notches century

Piet Kruiver last week scored his 100th goal since joining Dutch glamor team Feyenoord. Kruiver's remarkable goalscoring ability, however, may not be enough to earn Feyenoord the championship. The Rotterdam club still trails Ajax by four points and time is running out as only three rounds remain to be played.

Docherty rejects Madrid offer

Tommy Docherty has finally declined a $80,000 offer to coach Spanish champions Atletico Madrid for two years. Says Docherty: "My heart belongs to Chelsea where I want to end my career."

England downs Yugoslavia

England beat Yugoslavia 2-0 at Wembley last Wednesday week. A crowd of 55,000 saw England win easily after leading already 2-0 at halftime through goals by Jimmy Greaves and "footballer of the year" Bobby Charlton.

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SYDNEY CLUB PATROL

Canterbury have again signed Greek international forward Saravakos who made such a fine impression during his three-month stay last year. Saravakos is expected in Sydney any day and will remain with the club until the end of the season.

HAKOAH have transferred fullback Michael Plunkett to Melbourne's Wilhelmina for $200. Plunkett, an Englishman, made one first team appearance — against Yugal —in 1965.

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DID you know that Ian Astill (South Coast), and Brian Taylor (Canterbury), the two goalkeepers of the Sydney under-23 squad are cousins?

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ANDY Lakos, the former Polonia-NS secretary and public relations officer, is now the manager-coach of the Wahroonga Tigers under-8 team which plays in the special division of the Kuringai Association. The Tigers, mainly six and seven-year-olds, have scored 30 goals and conceded none in four matches this year. Star of the team is halfback Jim Burke, son of the famous cricketer of the same name.

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THE arrival of Pan Hellenic's new Welsh forward Keith Fry was delayed. He is now expected in Sydney by the end of this week.

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FOR the first time Polonia-NS will be able to field a full team this weekend when they play Granville-AEK at Macarthur Park on Sunday.

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PRAGUE'S 8-1 defeat last Sunday was the biggest competition loss ever in the 16-year history of the club. APIA, on the other hand, have recorded bigger victories. Last year they beat Cumberland 10-0 at Mona Park—an ominous sign, perhaps, since APIA again travel to Mona Park this weekend.

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HAKOAH will give 30 children from the Far West Homes the full VIP treatment next Sunday. A bus will pick the kids up at Manly and drive them to the Hakoah-Pan Hellenic match at Wentworth Park where they will be showered with soft drinks and goodies.

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YOUNG Alan Westwater spent a hectic afternoon last Sunday. First he went to Lambert Park to negotiate a contract with APIA, then before halftime he left for Wentworth Park with his parents to discuss terms with Pan Hellenic. Westwater had also been in touch with Croatia and Hakoah before deciding on Pan Hellenic who need him most as he will fill admirably their inside-left position. Bankstown, however, put up a fight before letting Westwater go as they claimed he was still bound to them.

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SUTHERLAND coach Frank Wimmer has signed a two-year contract. Last week he took up residence in the Shire.

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LUCKY for St. George-Budapest that burly Scotsman George Yardley is in such sharp goalscoring vein this season. Yardley, up to date, has scored four of the Saints' five competition goals. Take those goals away and St. George would have one point instead of four!

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CROATIA deny the news that they are negotiating with Adelaide Croatia fullback Graham. However, our Adelaide correspondent is adamant that the news is correct.

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THE coach of one of our leading clubs found out last Sunday, just before the match, that goalkeepers can be replaced any time during a game. Last Sunday was the fourth round of the competition . . .

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THE Maltese Community Western Suburbs Association and Blacktown Rainbows Soccer team will stage a Gala Day on Sunday, May 15, at Francis Park, under the patronage of the Mayor and Mayoress of Blacktown. The programme includes two soccer games and three teams of Marching Girls, by kind permission of Blacktown United Girls Marching Association, as well as a top class band. The program will kick off at 1 p.m.

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PAN Hellenic are giving away two free tickets for one of their home matches at every game at Wentworth Park. At each home game they select two "lucky seats", the occupiers of which are allowed in free at the club's next home match.

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PRAGUE have nominated the following juniors for the NSW Under-16 and Under-18 teams: S. Loveday, R. Rootsey, G. Manuel (Under-16) and T. Roberts, C. Miner and D. Scarfone (Under-18).

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TOP Eastern Suburbs All-Age team Sydney Inter are leading their competition with 14 points from seven games. The team last week beat their most dangerous rivals, "Turkish Club", 4-1 and have now scored 40 goals and conceded seven.

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WOLLONGONG have signed fullback Ian Potter from South Coast and recovered their former player Jim Niperess from Melita Eagles. Both played with distinction in the Olympic first team last Sunday against Sydney Austral.

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PRAGUE will send talented 16-year-old youngsters Colin Beard and Victor Lowrie, to Czechoslovakia on July 20. The lads will join Slovan Bratislava for a one year coaching stint.

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CROATIA'S new fullback from Cessnock, Tom Snedden, will move to Sydney with his wife Diane and their one-year-old son Wayne next week. They will settle permanently in Sydney.

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WHILE most clubs have to scratch to field 11 players of first grade standard, competition leaders APIA are in the lucky position of having a wealth of talent to choose from. Coach Joe Marston now has the unenviable task of finding room for such stars as Van Blerk, Hughes and Blue in the team which last week thrashed Prague 8-1. Marston's biggest headache is deciding who to drop from the formidable fullback trio of Van Blerk, Nuttall and Ackerley.

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POLONIA officials were full of praise at the way Western United promoted their match at Francis Park last Sunday. The visitors were impressed by the efficient public address system and the excellent markings on the ground. They also appreciated the under-7 match which was played at halftime of the main game.

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HAKOAH have bought Fred Hejtmanek back from Croatia. Hejtmanek will coach Hakoah's third grade team. The Austrian forward has been coaching a Hakoah junior team since his arrival in Australia five years ago.

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LEN Speakman, the Sutherland secretary, broke his ankle last week while erecting a fence at the club's home ground at Miranda.

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YUGAL forward Steve Lalic started training this week. Lalic was out of action since the start of the season because of fluid on the knee. He is expected to throw out a strong challenge for first team selection within three weeks.

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BANKSTOWN first grader Jim Brennan, son of club secretary Bill Brennan, has just returned from Forster where he was honeymooning with his wife Carol.

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VIC Fernandez, the St. George winger is still injured and may be out of action for a couple of weeks.

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THE sister of Brian Tristram is one of the entrants in the annual Miss Pan Hellenic quest.

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GERRY Hood will play his first game next Sunday since breaking his leg in the Australia Cup match against George Cross last November. Hood will play in Hakoah's third grade side against Pan Hellenic.

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WESTERN United have signed a 19-year-old London amateur halfback, Mick Squires, to replace Kenny Wilkins who left last Monday to take up a business appointment in Queensland.

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MELITA Eagles are still hopeful of eventually securing Camdenville Oval, at St. Peters, as their home ground. Club officials have been negotiating for a lease of the ideally situated ground for the past eight months and are prepared to transform the venue into a top class ground once they get the green light from the local Council.

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MIKE Johnson, the former South Coast and Croatia forward now works for a Maitland newspaper. Johnson, who played for Fulham a few years back, is looking for a Newcastle club as he wants to start playing again.

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Sydney 2nd & 3rd grade summaries

SECOND GRADE

Corinthians: Bathurst, Clarke, Carter, Eyre, Coverdale ,Smee, Stanley, Hunter, Maughan, Turner, Taylor. **Goals:** Hunter (2).

Hakoah: Wilson, B. Berne, Smith, Whitehead, Cooney, Coutts, Parkin, McKnight, Reid, Bell, Bogie. **Goals:** McKnight, Bell, Parkin.

Referee: Gibbons.

Cumberland: Fisher, Haggett, Addison, Charlton, Penfold, Keen, Comonsoli, Bryce, Entwistle, Grant, Hartshorne. **Goal:** Grant.

SCU: Nuell, Malasson, Kerr, Sutherland, Davies, Barabar, Kenning, Tierney, Coventry, Tweddle, Tolhurst. **Goals:** Malasson, Coventry.

Referee: N. Jones.

APIA: Mazzina, Gallaghan, Williams, Pride, Hughes, Parkin, Gould, Garcia, Butler, Campbell, Giacometti II. **Goal:** Garcia.

Prague: King, Patterson, Hiron, Tracey, Henderson, Miner, Roberts, Badaracco, Fineberg, Lissing, Beard. **Goal:** Tracey.

Referee: L. Rae.

Yugal: Jurcan, Kosanic, Clancy, Crnic, Miric, Viskovic, Stosic, Edwards, Djukic, Bowman, Grbacki.

St. George: Haffey, Wills, Murphy, DeBruin, Morgan, Bird, Tyrell, Caldwell, Mansfield, Burt, Telfer. **Goals:** Telfer, Caldwell.

Referee: E. Truppe.

Pan Hellenic: Rhodes; Walker, Omeros; Smith, Mallard, Henson, Hannan, Ridding, Tracey, Kazakos, McCulloch. **Goal:** Mallard.

Croatia: Fraser; Mikula, Phillips, Tomicic, Bonazza, Nadj; Nutt, Swoboda, Guerrero, Gerbino, N. Kakakios.

Referee: W. Irons.

THIRD GRADE

Corinthians: Gorman, Y. Wolowszckykow, Clarke, S. Woods, Amey, Cottle, D. Woods, Stewart, Sambrook, W. Wolowszckykow, Koffel. **Goals:** Sambrook, W. Wolowszckykow.

Hakoah: Jackman (Boyd), Bauer, Goldberg, P. Woods, Migliacio, Mitford, Reichard, Benko, Lakmaker, Devine, Terry. **Goals:** Devine, Lakmaker, Terry.

Cumberland: Hopkins, Williams, Riley, Wall Richards, Fairley, Dort, Maes, Quested, Crocker, Vincent. **Goals:** Crocker (2).

SCU: Gerrard, Whitefield, Garde, Meredith, McCance, M. Weekes, Martin, T. Weekes, Henry, Harris.

Referee: N. Anderson.

APIA: Allen, Coles, Ardouin, Browning, D. Parkin, Butler, Gray, Bills, Haywood, Massi, Campany. **Goals:** Massi, Gray, Ardouin.

Prague: Scarvelli, Brown, L. Rootsey, R. Rootsey, Purcell, Loveday, Armytage, Craig, Manuel, Robins, Smith. **Goal:** Robins.

Referee: Davey.

Yugal: Urge, Mitkos, Tomich, Kosanich, Kraft, Katsanos, Emilio, L. Urge, Glenday, Clancy, Volar.

St. George: Ball, Box, Champion, Mathews, Grant, Ralph, Pascoe, Bushby, Adams, Piggott, Melas. **Goals:** Bushby, Adams, Piggott.

Referee: A. Liebermann.

Pan Hellenic: Thomson; Nicolopoulos, Stevenson; Frame, Petrou, Dimitrinos; Coleman, Vrolyks, Demos, Bardetta, Szatmary. **Goals:** Coleman (2), Demos (2), Szatmary.

Croatia: Markulin; Saric, Jones; Macejik, Saric, Alce; Gunns, Stuart, Sincek, M. Kakakios, Alegri. **Goal:** Sincek.

Referee: A. Sorbie.

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INJURY HEALING TIME IS UP TO THE PLAYER

— By D. JACKSON, S.R.Ch., L.Ch., M.R.S.H. (London) —

The purpose of training is to bring about adaptions that will, during a game, support maximum effort by the players.

This is achieved by a gradual process, so we must supply sufficient stress to produce improved adaption, but the intensity must be controlled to avoid injury.

This, what we call the stress — injury balance, differs among different players, and it is only by experiment and observation by the coach, trainer and club doctor that the amount of work carried out and the test period given can be determined to give gradual improvement and reduce the setbacks which training injuries cause.

Some people may be of the opinion that maximum effort will not be attained without injury.

We train to improve our capacity for physical work but also to avoid injury.

Injury is not a necessary evil and no coach worth his salt is going to plan an injurious schedule.

A player in training must put his mind to many things which all go to make up his ultimate performance.

In soccer we have such things as ball control, heading, passing, balance, speed and endurance, all which require a specific regime of training in which the player will gradually extend his limits.

If a player overworks himself he is liable to injury which stops his training schedule, so all training must be on a basis which calls for intelligence in the use of observation and information.

If we train with maximum exertion injuries must be anticipated, especially in a sport like soccer when it involves a certain amount of physical contact.

Two problems

In soccer, injuries include sprains, strains and tears of muscles, tendons, and ligaments: haematoma, myositis, meniscus lesions, dislocations and fractures.

By careful study we can gather a great deal of information as to when and how they occur, and such data can be used as a guide to preventing injury in providing proper medical facilities, in the selection of conditioning routines, in teaching techniques which will help to overcome the fact that the human body is subject to injury.

If a player receives an injury we are faced with two problems:

- The player must not be allowed to return to the game if, in doing so, it will expose him to more serious injury resulting in permanent damage.
- The player must not be kept out of the game longer than is necessary but every step must be taken to speed his full recovery.

The people responsible for the operation of the above principles are the club doctor, trainer, coach — and the player himself.

They work together in harmony and the duties of each must be made clear.

The key figure, of course, is the player himself.

Any player worth his salt will consider a place in the team one of the most important things in his world, but because of this he may hesitate from making known to the trainer or doctor some point connected with his fitness for fear of being left out.

This attitude could cause a minor injury to develop into a serious one because of lack of treatment.

Players must report any injury no matter how small to the club trainer or doctor and carry out all conditioning and rehabilitation exercises prescribed for him.

It does not matter how good are the medical facilities of any club, the finest physician, trainer, or coach cannot bring any player to his peak of condition unless the player himself actively makes use of the club resources mobilized for his benefit.

In the prevention of injury we can consider the kinesiological principles.

If we move any joint beyond its normal range it is in danger of being injured.

The actual blow itself does not do the damage but the position of the joint when the blow is received is predisposing to the injury.

If a muscle is contracted it is better able to resist forceful extension than a muscle which is elongated, and a contracted muscle also offers a greater factor of safety.

Relaxation vital

In soccer where body contact is employed the players should tense themselves before the impact.

We can say that the idea that a drunk never gets hurt because he is relaxed is false — the reason is because his "pain threshold" is higher, owing to his anesthetized condition.

The body should be relaxed when falling as this allows more give on landing.

Pull the head in, and if possible roll when striking the ground, so distributing the momentum over a larger area.

READERS' LETTERS

Greek plan would be retrograde step

I wish to protest strongly over your front page story of last week's issue headed "Greek super team is sought by ex rivals".

From the flavoring of this story, I feel that the writer, Mr. Gautier, is in favor of the idea of establishing a "national Greek super side" here in Sydney.

If this is the case—and I apologise if I am wrong—then I think he has a very short memory.

How many Greek players have we seen imported into the country over the past five or so years?

Of all those only one, in my humble opinion (Mavro, of course) has stood out as a classy footballer.

Let me state very strongly that the answer to our problems are certainly not the importation of fifth-rate Greek, English, or other players.

To suggest that the crowds would flock back to support this "Greek super side" is perhaps true, on the surface.

But what a short-sighted attitude it is.

It is of no use to anyone, if one club, in this case, Pan Hellenic, grows fat and rich, while the rest go bankrupt.

Things are bad at the moment, (probably the understatement of the year) and they'll probably get worse before they improve.

However, I am still optimistic enough, to believe that they **shall** improve.

Let's all do ourselves one big favor.

Before we revert to the insane "importation policies", let's give **true** district football two or three seasons trial.

Why not all do our bit, to try to promote the game amongst the juniors and the suburbanites?

I think "Soccer World" would have been far better employed, publicising the switch by South Coast youngsters, Telfer and De Bruin to St. George, rather than writing this drivel about Pan Hellenic's "big plans."

Why not give these youngsters a break?

No doubt, when Scheinflug or Hughes sign with a club at fat fees, it will be front page news and help boost their egos enough to ask for even more next season.

BRUCE CAMERON,
Blacktown.

/Lou Gautier is, of course, at least as much entitled to his opinion as Bruce Cameron or anybody else.

What he implied in his exclusive and factual story was that Pan Hellenic, from their own viewpoint, could well be justified doing what they plan to do.

Until clubs are prevented, by administrative measures, from buying or importing players, they are at liberty to seek ways and means to improve their lot.

They would not be doing their own club justice if they failed to do just that.

How they actually achieve this can be a matter of debate. —Editor./

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THE YEAR: 1950

When Lord gained his first spurs . . .

Once again we take a flash-back into our soccer past — and the year is 1950.

Extracts from 1950 issues of "SOCCER WEEKLY NEWS" which was edited by Keith Gilmour, now with SOCCER WORLD.

"Keen judges will be watching the form of Adamstown's left back, Doug Wendt.

"This lad is in line for representative honours."

/Wendt later went on to represent Australia many times./

★

"Ron Lord may become Drummoyne's regular State league custodian if Ken Hough adheres to his decision to leave the code."

★

"Bankstown, who are shortly introducing the "diamond formation", their third back style, claim to be the first club to introduce these tactics into Australia.

"Coach Bob Walker will introduce the new method within a month."

★

"St. Peters led Woonona 5-3 with 10 minutes to go in the first round Sydney Cup match, Woonona then scored four goals to win 7-5.

"International Charlie Stewart was in scintillating form for the winners and had a hand in almost every goal."

★

"Ron Lord has received his first major honour, he plays for the State XI, next weekend (May 1950)."

★

And below we reprint an editorial published by the "Soccer Weekly News" on April 8, 1950:—

"Included in the teams for today's premiership matches are a number of players who have just commenced their first season in NSW football.

"Names such as L. Mrska (Metters), S. Renkovetsky (Woonona) and M. Vesovic (Leichhardt), previously unheard of in this country, are becoming household words to soccer fans.

"With the influx of migrants into Australia and the endeavours of many of them to find a place in our senior teams, it has become fashionable for Australians to point out that the new arrivals are not as good as the local product.

"Probably this is due to the fact, that so many new arrivals of British or European stock claim to be internationals etc., as soon as they arrive at a soccer ground.

"Club officials soon find that the players do not measure up to this standard and are somewhat disappointed at not gaining a high class player."

—RICK BRUCE

Qld. have strong squad

The Queensland State squad which has been picked for the Roma game is widely regarded here as the strongest ever.

The squad is:

Goalkeepers: R. Kelly (Coalstars); H. Clark (Latrobe).

Backs: B. Allison (Thistle); W. Haigh (Oxley); G. Kathage (Coalstars).

Halves: I. Shaw (Thistle); M. Hosie (Latrobe); L. Petie (Hellenic); L. Petersen (Merton); G. Catchpole (Merton).

Forwards: M. Jackson (Hellenic); G. McMillan (Hellenic); R. Edmunds (Latrobe); R. Richards (Latrobe); K. Jones (Latrobe), a four-times Welsh amateur international and full-timer with Bristol Rovers in England; I. Johnston (Coalstars); E. Pattison (Merton).

The coach is Thistle coach George Pagan, a former Scottish First Division player with Heart of Midlothian.

Newcomers to interstate football include Edmunds, Jones, Allison, Shaw, Clark, and Jackson.

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